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Moore County Health Department Celebrates 90 years of Service as it Observes National Public Health Week April 2-6

Communities nationwide are coming together April 2-6 to celebrate and support public health during the 2018 National Public Health Week (NPHW) observance. This year's theme, "Changing Our Future Together", is a call to action for engaging all communities and all sectors in a conversation about the role each of us can play to put good health within everyone's reach.

This year marks a very special milestone for the Moore County Health Department. The Department will celebrate 90 years of providing public health services to the residents of Moore County. The Moore County Health Department and its governing body, the Moore County Board of Health, were established in 1928. Originally located in the present Historic Courthouse with a staff of three – a health director, a nurse, and a clerk, the Health Department has grown by leaps and bounds since then. Today, the Department employs a staff of over 50 professionals representing a wide variety of health related disciplines.

Just as much in the present day as in 1928, public health workers strive to ensure the basic foundations necessary for good health — clean water, safe food, breathable air and access to life-saving vaccines, just to name a few. This National Public Health Week, the Moore County Health Department encourages everyone to take an active role in their own health and in the health of others as we look to improve where we live, learn, work, worship and play in order to ward off disease and injury. Please take time out this week to celebrate our county's public health workforce and think about what you can do today to improve your health and the health of your community.

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